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| METHOD OF DETECTING | : | |
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Sir:

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These documents were previously cited during the prosecution of parent Application No. 09/674,674. Accordingly, no copies are being provided herewith, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(d).

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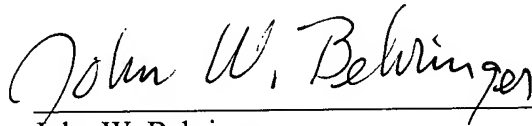
merits and (2) expiration of the three-month period following filing of the above-captioned application.

REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner and that an annotated copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned with the next official communication, indicating that such information has been considered.

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